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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: PFOR, PLO, US
SUBJECT: CONTACTS WITH PLO: VISA APPLICATIONS

REFS: (A) STATE 51871 (NOTAL), (B) BEIRUT 2104 (NOTAL),
(C) STATE 55188 (NOTAL)

1. AS DEPARTMENT AWARE, EMBASSY CAIRO HAS INSISTED THAT ALL PLO VISA APPLICATIONS BE HANDLED THROUGH EGYPTIAN MFA. ON ONLY ONE OCCASION SINCE EMBASSY BEGAN ISSUING VISAS TO PLO MEMBERS (ARAFAT DELEGATION TO 1974 UNGA) HAS PLO MEMBER BEEN RECEIVED BY CONSULAR OFFICER; I.E., RENEWAL VISA IN MARCH 1977 OF UN PER OBSERVER ZUHDI TERZI. WE ASSUME THIS WAS UNIQUE CASE AS WE HAD RECEIVED PRIOR AUTHORIZATION ISSUE VISA (REF C). IN CASE OF ALL OTHER INQUIRIES, WE HAVE REFERRED POTENTIAL APPLICANTS TO MFA, IN CONFORMITY DEPARTMENT INSTRUCTIONS TO US.

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2. GIVEN DIFFICULTY EGYPTIAN OFFICIALS HAVE EXPERIENCED IN GETTING IN TOUCH WITH PLO MEMBERS TO CLARIFY QUESTIONS WE RELAY THROUGH MFA, VISA ISSUANCE PROCESS HAS BEEN LABORIOUS AND TIME CONSUMING FOR US AND GOE. WE NOTE THAT BASIL AQL, WHOSE VISA PROBLEMS HAVE OCCUPIED US AND FAHMY'S OFFICE DIRECTOR FOR SOME TIME, HAS NOW HAD DIRECT CONTACT WITH

CONSUL IN BEIRUT (REF B). IN VIEW THIS DEVELOPMENT, WE
REQUEST PERMISSION DEAL DIRECTLY WITH PLO MEMBERS ON CON-
SULAR MATTERS AT THIS POST. PROCESS WOULD OBVIOUSLY
MAKE FOR EFFICIENCY AND WOULD PLEASE EGYPTIANS, WHO PROFESS
NOT TO UNDERSTAND OUR REFUSAL DEAL DIRECTLY WITH
PLO ON "TECHNICAL" CONSULAR MATTERS. WE WOULD NOTE, TOO,
THAT EGYPTIANS ARE SURE TO FIND OUT FROM AQL THAT EMBASSY
BEIRUT UNDER DIFFERENT INSTRUCTIONS THAN WE ARE.
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